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1. Communist China

On the political scene, the Chinese Communists have now sent two stiff protests to London over alleged US use of Hong Kong as a base of operations for the Vietnam war. The British are not sure whether these warnings are in earnest, but they have asked for a postponement until further notice of the agreement allowing increased use of Hong Kong as a rest area for US troops.

2. Communist China

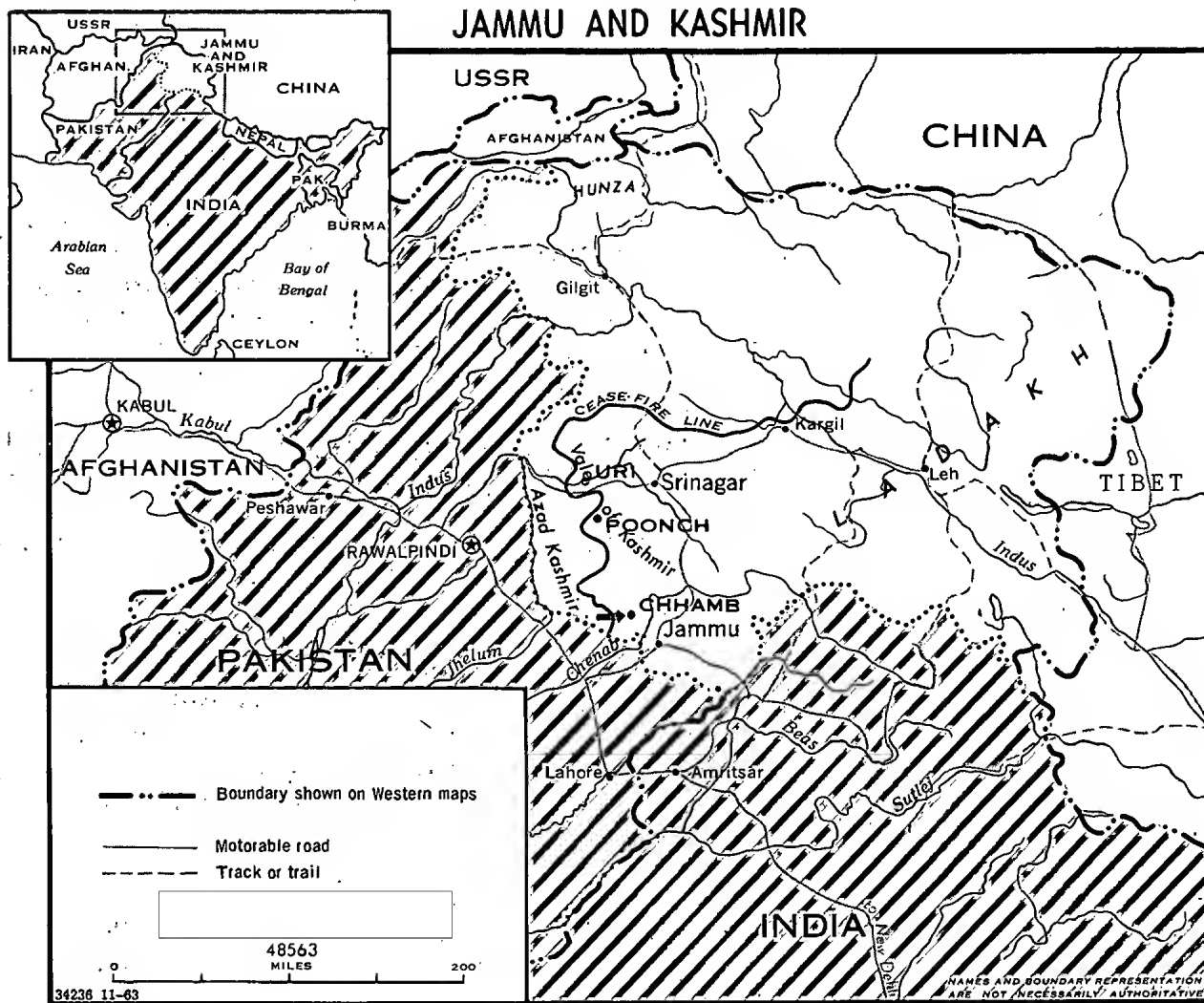
another series of ballistic missile firings is getting under way at the Shuangchengtzu test range in northwestern China.

Satellite photography on 18 and 22 August shows no signs of such activity, but the Chinese probably can set up for tests in only a few days. The missile involved is probably a medium range one, similar to a Soviet model.

3. USSR

The latest satellite photography has revealed the existence of 16 new single silos at Soviet intercontinental ballistic missile complexes. All of these silos apparently were started this year, but they fall out groups which had been identified previously at the complexes.

The single silo count now stands at 174--none operational yet, although some could be late this year. The Soviet operational force at present consists of 224 intercontinental missile launchers in both hard and soft sites.



4. Kashmir

The danger of a full-blown war is growing.

The Pakistanis are countering the Indians' move across the Kashmir cease-fire line with a thrust by their regular troops in an area southwest of the city of Jammu (see map). The Pakistanis may counterattack at other points as well [redacted].

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The "retaliatory" Pakistani attack may aim at cutting Indian supply lines. Additional Pakistani reinforcements reportedly have been sent to the Kashmir area.

The Indians claim that the Pakistanis have used some 35 US-supplied Patton tanks in the action. New Delhi has produced no proof as yet, but the Indian chief of staff has invited the head of the US military mission to go to Kashmir to see for himself.

The Indians say they are not using any US-supplied equipment and have no need to do so in Kashmir. Ayub's speech today nonetheless charges that India's "aggression" is based on arms and aid from "some of our friends and allies."

In New York, U Thant circulated an informal memorandum on the situation to Security Council members yesterday. He said he was awaiting a report from the United Nations field headquarters in Kashmir before taking further action.

5. Pakistan

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6. Greece

The Crown Council, called to have another go at the political crisis, began its first session today amid more street demonstrations. No results are in yet.

7. Indonesia

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